

IN THE SPECIFICATION

(1) Please insert the following paragraph beginning at page 3, line 9 of the Specification prior to the heading entitled "BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS":

In one embodiment of the present invention, a method for processing documents being off-loaded in a document processing system in which requests are executed by an off-loading process comprises the step of providing customized code for execution during the off-loading process. The method further comprises invoking the customized code when an off-loading request is issued relative to a document in the document processing system synchronously to the off-loading process. Further, the method comprises marking the document as archived when an agent is finished, where the customized code forms the agent.

(2) Please replace the Abstract beginning at page 9, line 2 of the Specification with the following rewritten Abstract:

A technique for executing customized code on off-loaded or retrieved documents in a document processing environment. The present invention [[to]] provides a code component in the form of an agent that can be automatically executed relative to a document before a document is off-loaded, after it has been off-loaded or after it has been retrieved. Preferably, the code component is in the form of a plug-in. Embodiments of the present [[The]] invention ~~enables~~ enable advantageous pre-processing and post-processing of documents in the document processing environment. Invocation of at least one agent and execution of customized code at a well-defined time, i.e., synchronous with the underlying document processing step or event.